FISCAL NOTE

HB 2107 - SB 2132

February 5, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Requires the Board of Nursing to develop a curriculum option for nursing programs designed for completion within 12 to 18 months. The program would include a clinical component in a long-term care setting. The board is to implement the curriculum by July 1, 2003.
- Authorizes the state, if funding is appropriated, to provide a subsidy payment for each student in a diploma nursing program enrolled in a school of professional nursing.
- Establishes and defines the practice of a medical technician who administers medications under the direction of a physician or nurse. Medical technicians are to be licensed by the Board of Nursing and the bill creates minimum standards including a course of study and a written examination. Applies penalties for fraudulently practicing as a medical technician.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$210,800 Recurring \$29,800 One-Time Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$200,000 (Student Subsidies) Increase State Revenues - \$240,600

Assumes:

- a need for 5 new positions and related expenditures in the Department of Health to license and regulate a new licensed professional group.
- an increase in administrative expenses in the Department of Health for increased travel and meetings of the Board of Nursing, including an increase in hearings for disciplinary matters.
- license fees for the new professional group will equal expenses.
- subsidies for the new nursing education program, subject to appropriation, will exceed \$200,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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